



**BRISBANE NORTH COAST  
EMMAUS COMMUNITY  
NEWSLETTER**

**April 2024**

**We are the Body of Christ**

***Next Gathering***

**When:      *Saturday, 13 April @ 5.30pm***

**Where:      *Morayfield Community Uniting Church*  
*12-16 Weier Road*  
*Morayfield QLD 4506***

***As many will be at the Formation day we are having Pizza  
for dinner. (\$5 per person please)***

***Looking forward to seeing you there.***



*De Colores*  
*from the*  
***Community Lay Director***

Hello Everyone,

April is an exciting time for the BNC Community with the formation day for the next walks being held on 13 April. Please join the teams after formation day at 5:30pm for the community gathering at Morayfield Uniting Church, where the teams will also be commissioned. It would be great to get as many of the community as possible to attend to support the walk Lay Directors and their teams at the commissioning.

I continue to urge you to prayerfully consider sponsorship. Who from your church or circle of friends is being placed on your heart to approach to be on an Emmaus walk? If you are unsure about sponsorship or concerned about the associated finances, consider talking to other Community members about joint sponsorship. It is an amazing privilege and responsibility to sponsor someone on an Emmaus walk. Please also continue to pray that all the positions on team and support roles are filled.

The Emmaus National Secretariat AGM was held by zoom on 23 March. It was interesting to hear where other communities are at from their reports. Our community was well represented through our member holding national positions for Face to Face and Chrysalis. Attendees also participated in discussion groups which centred on encouraging pilgrims to become involved after their walk and how to promote Emmaus in our local churches. A couple of the take home points were how important it is for personal follow up with pilgrims and for the letters to the pilgrim's minister/pastor from the walk Spiritual Director. The National Board currently have a couple vacancies, they would love to hear from you if you are interested in assisting.

There was good news from the National Secretariat AGM on the Emmaus web site, as many of you know for some time as a community, we have not been able to update our web site. A member of the Emmaus community is working on updating the web site and hopes to have it complete in a couple of months. When finished instructions will be available to enable each community to be able to upload forms, post events, update board members details etc. Until the new is running the current web sites will remain in place.

Stephane Brooks, the Upper Room International Spiritual Director attended the AGM. He shared an encouraging fact that I believe we can all gain encouragement from as we prepare for our walks for this year - Stephane shared that in 2023 Emmaus internationally had the highest pilgrim participation count for 10 years.

If you would like to be involved in the teams for the next walks, please let myself, Chad or Jill know. Please uphold Chad and Jill in prayer as they continue to fill all the positions in their teams.

Remember to put in your diary a couple of date claimers, Candle Lighting will be 25 May for Men's walk and 1 June for Women's walk, venue to be advised.

Looking forward to seeing you at the next gathering on 13 April, 5:30pm at Morayfield Uniting Church.

De Colores

David Close



*De Colores*  
*from the*  
***Community Spiritual Director***

Hello Everyone

What does it mean to live as one who believe in the resurrection?

For many of us who have been on team we have seen the effect that an Emmaus walk has on pilgrims, we have also experienced what a difference it makes in our own lives. When the euphoria of a walk is over, what difference does it mean for us to be the hands and feet of Jesus Christ.

As Christians we are in the very privileged position to preach a sermon every day. Not by what we say but by what we do. So often we forget that the world is watching our every action to see if we live out the values that we say we believe in.

As we say goodbye to Easter I challenge you to think about what does the resurrection of Jesus Christ mean to you, and how has your life changed because of it

**De Colores**

Neil Storey

Community Spiritual Director

# Emmaus Walks 107

Happy Easter to everyone in our Emmaus Community! Clayton (Chad) Teschward here again for another Men's Lay Director update on the upcoming Men's Emmaus Walk #107 that's now fast approaching.

Team selection is drawing to a close, with only a few position remaining to fill (Assistant Lay Director and Assistant Table Leader Roles). If you feel called or know anyone who'd be open to take part there is still some time to reach out!

From here we are about to move into the blessed and formative process of team training over the months of April and May. If you could support us in prayer and join us for the commissioning on the night of 13th April that would be a wonderful display of love and grace to the team.

Lastly, now is the time to get those pilgrims sponsored, registered and ready for the weekend! Reminder that the Men's Walk is 23rd to 26th May, so let's fill all those seats with men eager to take part in the amazing and transformative Emmaus experience.

Thanks,  
Chad Teschward

# Emmaus Walks 108

Hello Everyone

My team is almost complete and I feel very blessed by the enthusiasm of the members. We are looking forward to our first get together at Formation Day on 13<sup>th</sup> April where some will meet other team members for the first time. Please pray that the team will gel and be able to work together to make this a really meaningful walk for our pilgrims. The team will also be commissioned on that evening at the Gathering and it would be great if we can have many people there to support us.

I feel very blessed to say that we have already received 5 pilgrims' registrations but there is room for more. So please think about who you know that might benefit from an Emmaus walk. If finance is a problem perhaps find some others to share the sponsorship with you.

So please continue to pray for us as we meet for training - that we will be a blessing to others entrusted to us, for the pilgrims, that they will be able to fully engage in the whole weekend and for the walk itself.

Don't forget about the 72hr prayer vigils for both walks which are now available and we would love to see it filled prior to the walks. This can be accessed via the link on the website -

<https://vigil.emmaus.org.au/>.

De Colores

Jill Fletcher

# Music

*Music is vital to Emmaus Walks, Face to Face Encounters as well as our Gatherings*

*Always looking for people who can play music and lead worship! Please let me know if you like to lead singing, play the piano or other accompanying instrument; this could be for a Walk an Encounter or for a Gathering.*

*Do you now a person who might like to be a part of this ministry?*

*Please contact Leanne*



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## Emmaus Ministries Australia and International Newsletters

The latest Emmaus Ministries Australia and international Newsletters are available using the following links.

**National Website:** [Emmaus Ministries Australia \(campaign-archive.com\)](http://campaign-archive.com)

**International Website:** [The Upper Room \(campaign-archive.com\)](http://campaign-archive.com)

## 72 Hour Prayer Vigils

Check out the Walks or Encounters being held by other communities. You could join in upholding them in prayer on <https://vigil.emmaus.org.au/>



## **Don't forget**



*The bank details for General Donations just in case you missed the Gathering and would like to contribute.*

*Bank details for donations to provide Agape gifts of– flowers, rainbow cake, Ice-cream & toppings,  
Communion Elements etc.*

General Donations    BSB:    334-040    Walk Agape Donations    BSB: 334-040

A/c No: 553 890 883

A/c No: 554 465 053

For any prayer needs that you would like to share with the Emmaus Community,

Contact our Prayer Co-ordinator – Jenny Sims

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***As our teams are learning to work together as a united body to share  
God's love to the pilgrims let us follow the words of Paul in***

***1 Thessalonians 5:11***

*Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact  
you are doing.*

## CALENDAR EVENTS 2024

| Date                      | Time   | Place   | Comments   |
|---------------------------|--------|---|--|
| Saturday<br>13 April 2024 | 5.30pm | Morayfield Uniting Church<br>12-16 Weier Road<br>Morayfield | Gathering<br>Commissioning for Walks<br>107 & 108<br>Pizza for dinner \$5 each |
| 25 May 2024               | 7.00pm | To be announced   | Candlelighting Men   |
| 23-26 May 2024            |        | Glendalough Outdoor<br>Education Centre<br>Peregian         | Men's Walk   |
| 1 June 2024               | 7.00pm | To be announced   | Candlelighting Ladies  |
| 30 May-2 June 2024        |        | Glendalough Outdoor<br>Education Centre<br>Peregian         | Ladies Walk  |
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***Let us know if you have any prayer requests and we will pray for you***

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### **WEBSITE ISSUES**

*The newsletter is again able to be added and viewed to the BNC website.*

*I am in contact with National webmaster as to updating the board details.*

*I will let you know when the current issues have been resolved.*

*De Colores*

*Paul Fletcher*

*BNCCEM Website Coordinator*



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